

October 2, 2013

Resident  
City of Glendale  
California

Re: Preferential Parking Permit Fee Increase.

Dear Resident,

On June 25, 2013, the Glendale City Council approved a fee increase for preferential parking permits citywide. The fees that will go into effect for the 2014 calendar year are:

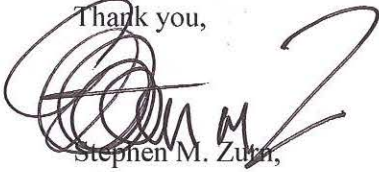
- Residential vehicle parking permits have increased to \$25.00 per vehicle, per year.
- Guest permits have increased to \$25.00 per permit, per year (maximum of two permits per household).

A frequently asked questions sheet has been included with this letter which may answer many questions regarding the preferential parking permit program. In addition, the City of Glendale Public Works Engineering Division would like to invite you to a neighborhood meeting to discuss this fee increase to the 2014 Preferential Parking Permit program. Staff will discuss and answer questions from the public regarding the fee increase and any other questions regarding the preferential parking permit program. This meeting will take place at:

Location: Civic Auditorium  
Address: 1401 North Verdugo Road  
Date: October 17, 2013  
Time: 6pm

Free parking will be available in the Civic Auditorium parking structure, located at 1401 North Verdugo Road. If you have any questions regarding this letter or the meeting, please call Jeff Brown, Assistant Parking Manager at (818) 937-8310 or e-mail at [jmbrown@ci.glendale.ca.us](mailto:jmbrown@ci.glendale.ca.us).

Thank you,



Stephen M. Zura,  
Director of Public Works

CC: Roubik Golanian, Deputy Director of Public Works/City Engineer

## Preferential Parking Frequently Asked Questions

### Why did the parking permit fees increase to \$25.00?

The City of Glendale began the preferential parking program in 1980 to assist residents in alleviating parking congestion caused by individuals who park on residential streets, but do not live in the area. The City Council established a parking permit rate of \$6.00 for residential vehicle permits. Since 1980, there has been no fee increase, and the number of parking permitted streets is now 134 streets. This increase was necessary to pay for the costs associated with the administration of the preferential parking program.

### Why did the guest permit fees increase to \$25.00?

Last year, 66% of all permits issued were free guest permits. A large number of residents were found using their guest permits in their personal vehicle, instead of purchasing permits as required. This change will help reduce the amount of guest permit abuse, encourage residents to only purchase permits they need, and to assist in reducing costs associated with the preferential parking permit program.

### I live within a preferential parking district, and utilize my garage and driveway for parking; do I have to buy a parking permit?

Residents and guests who utilize their driveway or garage for parking do not need to display a parking permit on their vehicles, when parked on private property. Residents who utilize the public street for parking may need to purchase a permit to park beyond the posted time limits. If a vehicle is parked on the street in a designated preferential parking district, and does not display the proper parking permit, a parking citation will result.

### I no longer need as many permits as I did before. How can I cancel those permits?

Each year in November, the City mails out a renewal letter containing past permit information. At that time, you can delete permits that you no longer need or add a vehicle for a new permit. Please cross out the un-necessary parking permit number on the form, or indicate in writing on the form that you no longer need this permit.

### I am having a special event at my house. How do I obtain additional parking permits for my guests?

If you are having a special event, and need additional guest parking permits, please call Public Works Engineering at (818) 548-3945, and staff will provide, at no charge, one-day temporary parking permits. Please allow 48 hours for staff to prepare and mail the permits.

### If I am disabled and have a valid disabled placard or license plate, do I need to purchase parking permits?

If you have a valid disabled placard, disabled license plate or disabled veteran plate, you have the ability to park in any preferential parking permit zone without the purchase of a preferential parking permit. The disabled placard or license plate must be properly displayed.



My street is not impacted by non-residents, and I would like to have this parking restriction removed. What is the process for removal?

Please call the City of Glendale, Public Works Engineering Division to request a petition to remove preferential parking. The petition provided by Public Works Engineering, shall be circulated by the requestor and signed by residents living in at least 75% of adjacent dwelling units on the same street.

If the parking restriction is removed from my street, and the parking problem returns, how do we re-instate the parking restrictions?

Please call the City of Glendale, Public Works Engineering Division to request a petition to install preferential parking. The petition provided by Public Works Engineering, shall be circulated by the requestor and signed by residents living in at least 75% of adjacent dwelling units on the same street.

What are the advantages of a preferential parking district?

A preferential parking district limits parking by non-residents. Preferential parking districts may be helpful in neighborhoods near businesses that attract a number of non-residents who park on the street in front of neighboring households, thus reducing the amount of available parking to residents. In some instances, preferential parking districts can reduce noise, litter and other nuisances sometimes caused by non-resident parking.

What are the disadvantages of a preferential parking district?

Preferential parking districts may result in some inconvenience to residents and their guests. Vehicles not displaying the proper permit are subject to a citation. The permit application process requires submitting evidence of residency and vehicle ownership. Permits do not guarantee a parking space on the street. Some residents find that the addition of regulatory signs creates a visual nuisance and obstruction in the sidewalk or parkway in front of their property. Limiting parking on one street may result in a "spill over" effect on adjacent streets that did not previously experience parking issues.

Does my service provider (landscaper, contractor, etc.) need to purchase permits to park beyond the posted time limits?

In general, service providers will need to place a valid permit in their vehicle to park beyond the posted time limits. This may be achieved by the property owner offering one guest permit to their service provider. If the service provider is going to be at the property for consecutive days, please call Public Works Engineering at (818) 548-3945, and staff will provide free temporary permits until the project is complete.

I have additional questions regarding preferential parking. Who can I talk to about my concerns?

You may contact the City of Glendale's Public Works Department at (818) 548-3945, or visit the city's dedicated parking website at [www.glendaleparking.com](http://www.glendaleparking.com).